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Species Election

This is a response to the outstanding Office Action dated December 30, 2004.

Applicants hereby elect the invention of Species A1, FIG. 1, for prosecution in this case. Applicants respectfully submit that Claims 1 – 13 and Claims 15 – 35 read on Species A1. Applicants further respectfully submit that Claims 1 – 13 are generic.

Respectfully submitted,

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